

PISTOL AND RAZOR

Desperate but Unsuccessful Attempt at Suicide

A Man Hurt by the Police Brings an Action.

Two Sets of Water Bonds Double Interest May be Demanded—Other Telegraphic News.

Used Pistol and Razor.

LOS ANGELES, November 30.—J. K. Kock, a young German recently from St. Paul, took desperate means to kill himself yesterday afternoon in front of 706 Rosa street. When he got through he had two bullet holes in his head, one over the heart and a razor slash on the right wrist.

Passers-by saw the desperate young man place the revolver first to his right temple and fire. The shot, apparently, never dazed him. He then put the revolver to his forehead and again sent a ball crashing through his skull. Yet he stood upright, and, to the utter horror of the pedestrians, again tried to shoot himself, this time over the heart.

The third shot had no more effect than the other two, so Kock drew a razor from his pocket and slashed his right wrist. The sharp blade barely grazed the artery, and cut a wound big enough to cause the blood to spurt a distance of several feet and thoroughly saturate his clothing. At the receiving hospital the belief is expressed that he will recover.

Despondency, caused by lack of means, was the cause of the attempted suicide.

Suicide by a Lunatic.

STOCKTON, November 30.—Miss Jennie Lyons of Linden, aged 34 years, this morning committed suicide after two ineffectual attempts at self-destruction. She climbed upon a tankhouse and threw herself head first into the tank. She was found dead shortly afterward.

Last Sunday she tried to end her life by taking carbolic acid and arsenic, but failed to take a sufficient quantity of the poisons to cause death. Yesterday she attempted to hang herself in a hay loft, but was discovered and prevented.

She was living on the ranch of her uncle, T. Cole. Some months ago she sustained an injury of the head, which had resulted in her insanity. She was thought to be harmless, however, and was not committed to the asylum. During the last few days her dementia assumed a suicidal phase.

Santa Cruz Involved.

SANTA CRUZ, November 30.—It looks very much as though Santa Cruz has been buncoed, from present appearances, through the failure of Coffin & Stanton, the New York

bankers and bond-buyers.

When the present water works were about to be built some years ago no California purchasers could be found for \$360,000 bonds, the amount issued for the purpose of construction, owing to a doubt as to their legality. In looking for purchasers Coffin & Stanton were found willing to buy the bonds.

Last spring it was decided to refund the bonds so as to extend the time for payment. Coffin & Stanton offered to purchase refunding bonds.

Walter Stanton conducted the negotiations in person. As the bonds were about to be delivered, Coffin & Stanton, being the only bidders, Walter Stanton was asked to give a guarantee for the safe return of the outstanding bonds. He appeared somewhat surprised that a guarantee should be demanded, but as the City Council insisted he gave the American Debenture Company of Chicago, a company which then had a first-class rating.

Months rolled by but the original bonds were not returned. Then inquiries from Eastern banks came in asking questions in reference to the refunding bonds, and finally it was learned that \$106,000 of them had been hypothecated in Eastern banks.

Both sets of bonds are now out. The American Debenture Company, of which Coffin's father was president, has failed, and Coffin & Stanton have gone into insolvency. The matter excites much interest here and the Council is making every effort to save the city from paying interest on both issues of bonds.

Suing a City for Damages.

VANCOUVER, B. C., November 30.—Captain Lynn, a brother of Hugh Lynn, who was hanged for the murder of two men at Savary island, is suing the city of Vancouver for \$50,000.

The case is a peculiar one. Captain Lynn became religious after the fate of his brother. He was at one time reputed to be the strongest man in the province and a skilled steamer captain, but sickness reduced him to a physical wreck, and, becoming a Christian Scientist, he attended a Christian Science institute in San Francisco. Returning here he practiced this method of healing.

Last night he met a street preacher who was proclaiming the coming of Christ in 1900. Lynn got into an argument with him, and becoming violent, was arrested by the police. On account of an affection of the throat Lynn breathes through a silver tube, and when the police seized him they inflicted a dangerous wound by the tube being forced into his throat. Though Lynn is in a critical condition through the injuries he received, he is hurrying on the suit against the city. He may not live to hear the verdict.

WILLARD B. FARRELL, of San Francisco, made a splendid defense of California's Pioneers on Thanksgiving Day, who were charged by the clergy with all sorts of vice and immorality.

PER CONTRA TO "G. N. L."

Suggested by reading "How He Was Named," published in GAZETTE of November 17th.

Adown the ages, the oft told story
Repeats itself, as the seasons go,
In a long dead Past it was poor blind Homer

That sang from a sad heart's over-flow.

Again we listen, while trembling voices
Tell the "Old, old story" of love and loss,
How a Saviour was sent in pity and kindness,
And we gave him a crust and death on a cross.

As nearer the great scroll rolls together
The names of the shining ones appear
Lives that Fame's torch beamed on, and made iridescent
Have been lonely, dreary and darkened here.

Teachers are with us, tho' methods please not,
Let us learn the blows rained on Abram and Paul
Were not alone for the money changers,
But to scourge the weakness of one and all.

Bierce, with a pen of lance-like keenness,
Cuts at the evil within his ken
Not at you, nor I, with our small ailments,
He deals with principles, not men.

Alone he stands in moral grandeur,
A Moses with tablets of stone inscribed,
Scorning those who with childish weakness
Can be bought for gold, their Honor bribed.

You read his "Prattle," accept his teachings,
To awaken the soul within the clod,
Lifting man's thoughts from a brutish level
To a companionship with God.

MRS. A.

Berkeley, Cal., Nov. 28, 1894.

Tax Levy.

EDITOR GAZETTE:—I herewith offer some suggestions in relation to fixing a rate for tax levy in the proposed new charter, which, if adopted, would, as I believe, overcome some of the objectionable features of the present charter, and make it possible to conduct the affairs of the town on a cash basis, or make it unnecessary to issue bonds when an occasional unusual expenditure is required, as the building of a new school house, extending electric light service, etc. The maximum amount for each fund to be, say: School, 45c; General, 30c; Road, 25c. The rate being limited to 75c, when necessary, could be apportioned thus, on a valuation of \$8,000,000: School, 45c, giving \$35,000; General fund, 15c, giving \$12,000; Road fund, 15c, giving \$12,000. Or, as circumstances might require: School, 30c, giving \$24,000; General, 15c, giving \$12,000; Road, 30c, giving \$24,000.

It will be seen that by changing the apportionment of each fund, as circumstances require, conditions can be easily met, which without a variable rate it would be impossible to meet without issuing bonds. W.

Berkeley, December 1, 1894.

As of Old.

The trial of Glaser upon complaint of Herzog, mentioned in yesterday's GAZETTE, came to a sudden conclusion in the afternoon. It was tried before Judge Penwell and quite a

number of witnesses had been subpoenaed, to appear. The outcome was some one had conveyed the intelligence to Herzog that Glaser intended to do him bodily harm at the first opportunity. When the evidence was produced it amounted to the fact that some party, whether mischievously inclined or not does not appear, told the story upon hearsay so that it got to the complainant's ears. Not one of the witnesses knew, from what they said, the least scintillation about the matter. The court dismissed the case and the plaintiff and defendant renewed assurances of their distinguished consideration of each other.

Thanksgiving Party

Thanksgiving Eve '94 will long be remembered by those who celebrated the occasion by having a party at Armory Hall on Bancroft way. Games and social conversation occupied the attention during the early part of the evening. This was followed by dancing, which everybody indulged in. Messrs. Hansen and Marcot furnished the music for the party. As a go between a delicious supper was served, to which justice was done by the guests. Then dancing was continued to the wee sma' hours when the merry party dispersed with much regret, consoling themselves however with the idea that there would be a repetition of good fellowship at a later date.

Deputies From all Over.

Frank C. Jordan, the County Clerk-elect, has an idea of picking his deputies so that the various portions of the county may receive a fair and just patronage. He has not as yet completed the list of those who will comprise his staff, but so far the following selections have been made: J. Cal Ewing, chief deputy; William McDonald of Murray Township, R. C. Vose of Eden Township, A. V. Fisher of Alameda township, T. F. Mock of the Fourth ward of Oakland and Charles S. Arnold.

A Legal Row.

Judge Greene, of Alameda, seems to have met his match when he came into a public controversy with W. S. Goodfellow, an attorney at law. In this way they met on equal ground. From what has been published in the different papers it looks as if the Judge had been snowed under. Well, such things happen to nearly everybody. Time evens up all things. Excuse and palliations go but little ways with the public when the actions of officers come under a fair course of criticism. It may be pretty hot for the Judge, but a great many lawyers look on with that kind of satisfaction which made Grimm's goblins uproarious with laughter.

Living Pictures.

Mrs. E. B. Grannis, leader in the

social-purity movement, has declared that living pictures are not objectionable, and already her protest against the iconoclastic pruders has borne fruit in an expression of gratitude from women who make their living by appearing in animate representations of famous works of art.

This move of the police, however, has set Mrs. Grannis and, as the latter says, other women of the Society for the Promotion of Purity in other directions. They say that they intend to compel a change of dress among social leaders at the opera. Mrs. Grannis declares that she and others have taken notes at the opera recently of the manner in which women of prominent families were dressed, and another force was at the Metropolitan Opera-house tonight for the same purpose. She says that she will compel the police to take action if a change in the mode of dress is not made.

Investigation Wanted.

A case came up in the Court at West Berkeley this afternoon that appalled the Assistant District Attorney, who was in charge of the case in behalf of the people. He discovered that even deputy constables were in the habit of taking bail from prisoners, whatever the crime might be charged against them. It appears they not only demanded a written signature to some document which was not even read to them, but personal property was exacted. As the attorney expressed it "The matter is too criminal for me to go into details so far as the evidence comes to me." He stated that a full examination should be gone into, and at the proper time some Judge or other tribunal would take the matter under careful consideration.

South Berkeley Social.

The dance given last evening by the South Berkeley Hall Association was one of the most successful affairs ever given at the new hall. The attendance was very large and dancing was kept up until an early hour this morning.

Orders for extra copies of next Tuesday's edition must be sent in no later than 4 o'clock on Monday afternoon. Already extras have been ordered much above the regular circulation. Advertisers will have the advantage of the circulation not only in every part of Berkeley but in all the annexes. In addition to the matter of interest usually published the proprietors are desirous of giving something not called for in the regular bill.

Berkeley people are getting to think more of themselves, and quote with pride the GAZETTE. They say now we have got a live paper which represent even a cosmopolitan city.

The crowd was so large this morning at the Junior farce that Shattuck hall was taxed to its utmost. During the performance one lady fainted and was taken to Baer's drug store, where she soon recovered.

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UNDER WHICH KING?

In peaceful times the transition from one form of government to another is not very easily accomplished if it is attempted in any manner which the ruled may consider arbitrary. It can be accomplished by easy steps and this takes time. These steps are generally as occasion demands and the progress is easy and headway accomplished. At this time there is an attempt being made to change the form of government in Berkeley from one generally known as a town to that also known as a city government. We have had a short experience in the latter form and with a few modifications it apparently would suit a large majority of the residents of the town. A correspondent calls the Freeholders Convention's attention to a matter in relation to the tax levy, supporting to a certain extent the proposition heretofore taken by the GAZETTE.

We are satisfied that the Board will work in the interests of the people just as far as they can see it with their own eyes and personal views.

To err is human and looking at the matter from the standpoint they have taken, it is quite possible that some things proposed may not suit the masses. We are only writing in a general way, as up to the present time there has been really no definite action taken by the Board of Freeholders. Probably their business is fast crystalizing and it has been intimated that by the middle of the month the deductions of the Committee will be sufficiently advanced so that the people can have an opportunity to read, ponder and make such criticisms upon the proposed plan of government as they may see fit.

Until the document comes out in a complete shape from the Convention, it will be impossible to make comments upon it. It is to be hoped, however, that something may be arrived at to forever settle, or at least for a few years to come, a form of government that will forever do away with the many elections which costs the town so dearly and keeps its interested residents in a constant state of turmoil.

GOLD VS. VIRTUE.

A man over 80 years of age purchased a woman to act under the nominal name of wife, in San Francisco within a few days, for the sum of \$1000. As far as public opinion goes it is regular, because the act is done under what is called the laws of the land. When a Chinaman does anything of this kind sentiment gets up in her lofty seat and cries for shame. When it comes to virtue are we acting upon the color line or are the Christians merely making a public show, indifferent to what may follow. There is a wide opening for one who has the good of his fellow

man at heart to get at work and prove his sincerity.

A PRELIMINARY test of the Postal Telegraph Company's new copper wire, recently laid across the Continent to San Francisco, has been made and the result proved sufficiently satisfactory for the Company to announce themselves ready to do business over the same.

THERE may be trouble yet between England and the United States, on account of the action of the Nicaragua government, in relation to the Mosquito Coast. The latter power wants something to stir it up, and a fighting attitude would wake the Americans up just about now.

Burned by Bonfires.

NEWARK, N. J., November 30.—In the suburbs of Newark to-day Maggie and Nellie Payton and Harry and Minnie Karcher, children, were burned by bonfires. Maggie Payton is dead and Nellie Payton and Harry Karcher fatally injured.

Right of Way Through Chino.

SAN BERNARDINO, November 30.—A deed was recorded today by which Richard Gird and wife granted to the Pacific Improvement Company a right of way sixty feet wide through the China ranch for the Pomona and Elsinore Railroad. The consideration is \$5,000, with the condition that no water shall be developed on the land or any of the land be used for beet-sugar factories.

Out of Work and Despondent.

MERCED, November 30.—A man named Schultz, aged 60 years, was found dead in bed at the Cosmopolitan Hotel this morning. He had worked as a wheelwright and farm hand, but had been out of work for some time and had talked in a very despondent manner to friends during the past few days. On the bureau in his room was found an empty laudanum bottle.

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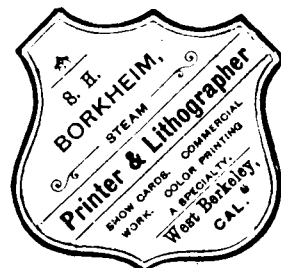
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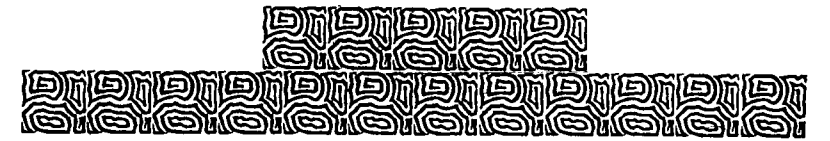
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The holidays are coming on and Berkeley storekeepers are getting in goods, which under the present low rates of purchase, they will be enabled to sell at extremely low prices. See what they have and it is quite possible that in the variety there will be something you want.

If you want a nice suit of clothes call on Mikkelsen & Berry, 2124 Center street, Berkeley. All kinds of repairing done.

The usual Sunday services will be held at the different churches throughout Berkeley and Lorin tomorrow, both morning and evening.

Large shipments of cattle are now being made to the stock yards here and also to San Francisco from Nevada, Arizona and Texas. Two train loads passed through West Berkeley today, the cattle being in splendid condition.

In the famous Murphy will contest, which occupied so much of the time of Judge Henshaw a little while ago, the Superior Court has made sad havoc with the decision of the Judge of the Superior Court. The case goes back to the Oakland Superior Court, with a distinct order that probate of the contested will shall stand. The three unmarried daughters get the estate. Lady Woolsey and the brothers get nothing.

The Board of Freeholders will meet this evening and receive reports from the special committees which have not already concluded their work. The revision committee will then go over all the reports and adjust all discrepancies and submit the results to the scrutiny of competent legal advisers. Before finally adopting its provisions will be published for public information and criticism. Such changes as may be suggested to the Board will be considered and discussed by the Freeholders. It is expected that the charter will be reported to the Board of Trustees by the 15th of December and that the election upon it will be held early in January. This will be in time to have it approved by the Legislature if it is adopted by the people.

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Solid Chunks of Wisdom.

There is always the best way of doing everything, if it be to boil an egg. Manners are the happy ways of doing things; each one a stroke of genius or love - now repeated and hardened into usage. They form at last a rich varnish, with which the routine of life is washed and its details adorned. If they are superficial so are the dewdrops, which give such a depth to the morning meadows.

The less government we have the better - the fewer laws and the less confided power. The antidote to this abuse of formal government is the influence of private character, the growth of the individual.

The high prize of life, the crowning fortune of a man, is to be born to some pursuit which finds him in employment and happiness whether it be to make baskets, broadswords, canals, statutes or songs.

A man that studies revenge keeps his own wounds green, which otherwise would heal and do well.

Nature has sometimes made a fool but a coxcomb is always of a man's own making.

Every man must work for something. The moment he stops working for humanity the devil employs him.

Be patient, cherish hope, read more and ponder less. Nature is more powerful than education; time will develop everything. Learn to protect yourself.

Inclination and interest determine the will.

To indulge a consciousness of goodness is the way to lose it.

Be brief, for it is with words as sunbeams the more they are condensed the deeper they burn.

\$\$\$ \$ \$

The State University of California needs coin to carry on its work in a corresponding manner to colleges in the east of the same class. It would seem from the wants of our higher branches of the educational system that knowledge is gained at a fearful expenditure. Progress as it is called makes a very strong public demand for means to carry out all its dictation. There is no question but what the colleges of the present date are spending a great deal of money not actually required for giving a pupil an education to carry him along in business life. Fads are introduced, not only in the schools where it is supposed that higher education only is taught, but in the primary branches useless expenses are incurred.

While there is a good deal to be said in favor of progress, it should proceed systematically. Order is nature's first law, and any transgression will find a stronger enemy.

While naturally every concession should be made toward the advancement of Education, do not let that name be a misnomer. Under the name of Education more sins can be committed than under the name of Ignorance.

People should not feel bound to fall down and worship the idol merely because it is placed there for the unlearned to make their low obeisance.

If there is worship of any kind let

it be in favor of an imaginative power sufficient to make everybody happy.

The Regents are apparently asking for more money than they can disburse to good advantage.

Junior Day.

At early morn there was a huskiness in the atmosphere which by induction caused an irritation of the bronchial tubes. And as one thing logically leads to another there was a lot of weather sharps who predicted a heavy fall of rain. This is perhaps not pertinent to the heading or the article, and yet it is genuine. If the weather had not been propitious there would not have been the turnout of female beauty, which actually occurred in Shattuck's Hall this morning, to witness the exercises which had been early programed.

To say the house was crowded would only be reiterating one of Swinley's self evident facts.

The President's address delivered by Willard D. Thomson, was an effort of real good merit.

Following comes a farce in three acts, dished up by Raymond J. Russ. In using the term "dished up" it is not in an ordinary degree as perhaps the term might imply. It had a local setting which made it homelike and comfortable. The writer desires to give the author praise for the work done in this line. There appears to be evidence in this little piece, perhaps, of collaboration of a talent that will attract public attention in the days to come.

The cast of character fell upon those who had the capacity to take in the situation and carry out the character according to the paint which was upon it.

To make distinctions in the qualities of amateur actors or actresses would be not the proper thing. They all did well and the piece was particularly well received by the audience.

The Glee Club of the University added much to the general attraction and received a great deal of merited applause. This club has appeared several times in public and has always been received. They evidently practice under the instructions of some one competent to teach. It is certain that they have a good hold upon the public, which is nicely manifested whenever they come upon the stage.

The performance commenced at a little after 10:30 o'clock and was finished at 12:30. The audience seemed to desire a continuance. It got just enough to want more and there is nothing better to what the appetite.

In the case of the People vs. John Madden, for shooting on private grounds without permission of the owner, testimony was taken and it appeared to the court that the trespassers were boys who never appeared before in the county and were technically guilty of shooting at a squirrel on grounds that at the present time the owner of is not definitely known. As the Court felt leniently, and it appeared to be only a case where the officer made the arrest for the purpose of getting a fee, he let the defendants off with an admonition.

Mrs. Lipman, mother-in-law of Dr. Whitworth, while at church last evening was stricken with apoplexy and was at once removed to her home, where she died shortly afterwards. The funeral arrangements had not been made up to the hour of going to press.

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